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In re Application of: Svendsen et al.

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For: Alpha-amylases

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## AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 14, 2002, please consider the following amendments and remarks.

## IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows:

On the top of the first page of Appendix 1, please insert **APPENDIX 1** and renumber the pages accordingly.

## IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 87, 89 and 91 as follows:

3 87. (amended) A method for producing a variant of a parent alpha-amylase having an altered property relative to said parent alpha-amylase, said method comprising

(a) generating a model of a three dimensional structure of a parent alpha-amylase, using a computer programmed for generating a model structure, said parent

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